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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS CONTROL PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT TEAM

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1. INTERAGENCY NARCOTICS CONTROL PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT TEAM PLANNING TO VISIT KABUL FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK BEGINNING ON OR ABOUT APRIL 23 (FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF JOINT EVALUATION OF PAKISTAN PROGRAM). MEMBERS ARE: RONALD NICHOLSON, DEPUTY TO THE SENIOR ADVISOR FOR PROGRAMS (S/NM), CHARLES O'KEEFFE, ASSISTANT TO DR. PETER BOURNE (WHITE HOUSE), DOMINICK MINGIONE (DEA), DOUGLAS ARCHARD (NEA/PAB).

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2. FOR GENEVA: WE BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT FOR MICHAEL DEMETRE (WHO IS BEING ASSIGNED TO US MISSION/UNFDAC, GENEVA, TO DEVELOP AFGHAN PROGRAMS) TO BE IN KABUL "WEARING HIS U.N. HAT" AT TIME OF TEAM VISIT. IT WOULD ALSO BE VERY USEFUL FOR MICHAEL DAVIES OF UNFDAC TO ACCOMPANY DEMETRE. IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR DEMETRE TO OBTAIN THE APPROPRIATE BRIEFINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS FROM UNFDAC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

WE HOPE DEMETRE CAN ARRIVE IN GENEVA BY APRIL 16. NOTE: THIS IS ONLY A PRELIMINARY VISIT. DUE TO COMMITMENT TO AID, DEMETRE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO JOIN US MISSION/UNFDAC STAFF UNTIL SEVERAL WEEKS LATER. REQUEST MISSION MAKE

NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS WITH UNFDAC.

- 3. FOR KABUL: IN VIEW OF INDICATIONS THAT GOA MAY BE WAVERING ON ITS INTEREST IN BILATERAL ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE (KABUL 1512), DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE RECONFIRMATION OF CONTINUED INTEREST. FURTHERMORE, AT GENEVA, MAROOFI HAD TALKED IN TERMS OF ASSISTANCE ONLY TO BORDER ENFORCEMENT PROJECT (BAGGOTT REPORT). IN OUR VIEW, BASIC OBJECTIVE OF BILATERAL ASSISTANCE SHOULD BE AIMED AT HELPING GOA ENFORCE BAN ON OPIUM GROWING AND NOT MERELY AT KEEPING OPIUM FROM FLOWING ACROSS BORDER TO IRAN. DOES EMBASSY BELIEVE OUR OBJECTIVEAND GOA EXPECTATIONS CAN BE ACCOMMODATED?
- 4. DUE OTHER COMMITMENTS O'KEEFFE'S SCHEDULE WILL DIFFER FROM THAT OF REST OF TEAM. HE WILL ARRIVE KABUL APRIL 13 ON FG- 712 AT 11:15 A.M. REQUEST APPOINTMENTS WITH AMBASSADOR AND MINISTER OF HEALTH. ALSO NOTIFY IBRD RES REP YOON TAEHEE OF HIS IMPENDING ARRIVAL. O'KEEFFE WILL RETURN KABUL FOR LAST 2 OR 3 DAYS OF TEAM VISIT.

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